



Dec 17, 2023

Advent 3



Christ Lutheran Church

9212 Taylorsville Rd.

Louisville, KY 40299

www.christlutheranlouisville.com

WE WELCOME OUR VISITORS who worship with us today. We are glad you are here and we invite you to worship with us again and often. If you have no church home, we invite you to consider Christ Lutheran Church. Please sign the attendance card and place it in the offering plate.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Jesus Christ is the host at the table of Holy Communion and invites all to come. Here the real presence of Jesus meets us in the form of bread and wine. In this sacrament he offers himself to us for the forgiveness of sin and the promise of eternal life. (The Holy Communion kits are available in the narthex, for in-person worship.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

The prelude is a time to prepare for worship. When the prelude begins, please enter the sanctuary prayerfully and reverently. Please silence your cell phones and take this time to quiet your minds and voices.

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Rev. Dr. Bimen Limbong, **Pastor**

Pr. George Mercer, **Pastoral Assistant**

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Heather C. Harding, **Church Administrator**

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Welcome

Stand

Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness

P In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has promised to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Stand/Kneel Silence for reflection and self-examination

P Most merciful God,

C **Have mercy on us. We confess to you that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not trusted you with our whole heart; we have not loved one another in deed and in truth. In your compassion forgive our sin and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our light and our truth. Amen.**

P With joy, I proclaim to you that Almighty God, rich in mercy, abundant in love, forgives you all your sin and grants you newness of life in Jesus Christ.

C **Thanks be to God!**

Sharing the Peace

The Gathering

Entrance Hymn: *People, Look East*

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Greeting

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.




Lord, have mer - cy.




For the peace of the whole world, for the well - being of the church of



God, and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this ho - ly house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and



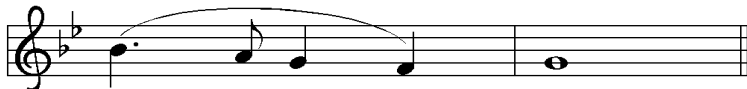
praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Prayer of the day: *(See on screen/Celebrate insert)*

C Amen.

Sit

The Word

Children's Sermon - Lighting of Advent Candle (Stanzas 1-3)

Readings and Psalm: *(See on screen/Celebrate insert)*

End 1st and 2nd reading with:

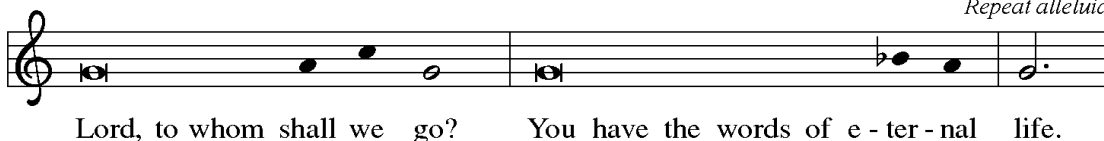
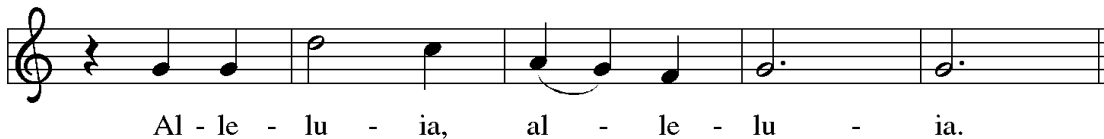
A The word of the Lord.

The congregation responds with:

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation



Repeat alleluia

Gospel: *(See on screen/Celebrate insert)*

P The Holy Gospel according to:

C Glory to you O Lord

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you O Christ

Sit

Sermon “How Dare We…….”

Stand

Hymn of the Day: *Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn*

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The Apostles’ Creed

P God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ, living together in trust and hope we confess our faith...

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead. *
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church, **
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

* Or, He descended into hell

** ‘Catholic church means ‘universal church or Christian church throughout the world’.

Intercessory Prayers (*See screen/Celebrate insert*)

Sit

Offering:

For on-line worshipers please mail to the office at 9212 Taylorsville Road, 40299 or contact the office for instructions for direct deposit. You may also use our on-line app at tithe.ly or scan QR code on the right)



SCAN ME

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (11:00): *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* Webster
Text: See ELW 254

Stand

Offertory Prayer

A Let us pray.

A Merciful Father,

C Everything in heaven and earth belongs to you. We joyfully release what you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to you, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

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The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

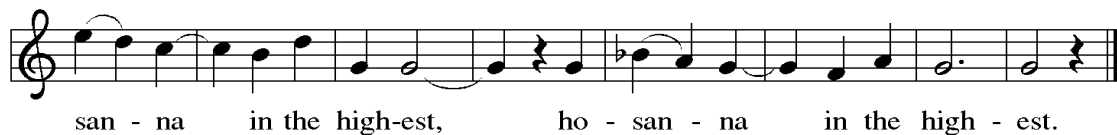
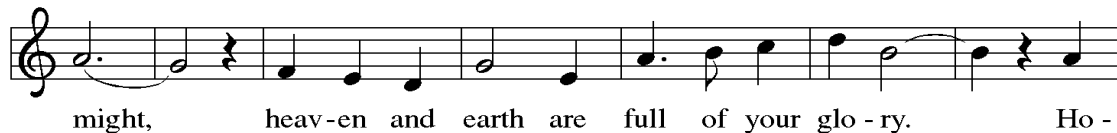
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

P It is indeed right...

..we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

C Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

Sit

Communion

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Stand

Blessing

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you in faith and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

A Let us pray.

C We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.

Sending Hymn: <i>Hark, the Glad Sound</i>
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A Walking with Christ, go in peace to love and serve our church and neighbors.

C Thanks be to God!

Postlude: *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

Busarow

There's still time to share your ideas for the future of CLC. What would you like to see happen going forward? You can write out your thoughts on the paper (place in provided box in the Narthex), email the church office, or fill out form online.



DRIVING TO OUR FUTURE!

Share your vision for Christ Lutheran Church



	<p>What does CLC need to STOP doing?</p> <p><i>Things you think don't work anymore & need to be re-evaluated.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What should we stop doing? What are we doing that seems "broken"? This was great in the past, but not so much anymore. 	 <p style="font-size: small; color: green;">Use the QR code to share your ideas via the online form or write ideas on the paper provided.</p>
	<p>What does CLC need to KEEP doing?</p> <p><i>Things that we want to keep doing because it works and provides value.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What's "working"? This is great and needs to continue! Can't believe that worked out so well and we need to do that again! 	
	<p>What does CLC need to START doing?</p> <p><i>If we could do anything, with unlimited time and resources, what would you like to see us do or have as a congregation? <u>Really, no limits!</u></i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What would make us "better"? Wouldn't it be great if... This would be great for our congregation and community. 	

Upcoming Giving Events

“Tackling Hunger” in conjunction with Super Bowl on 2/11/24 will be collecting food items or cash donations the last Sunday of Jan and the 1st two Sundays in Feb. The donations will be given to JAM.

The Social Ministry will be collecting stocking hats, gloves, and scarves.

Beginning in January there will be collection bins.



Worship in December at
CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Need a moment to rest & reset?
We invite you to our

Advent Services

Wed Evenings
Dec 6, 13, & 20 at 7pm



Focus on what's truly important during a brief, beautifully meditative service that uses music, prayer, & scripture to explore the theme of "Tidings of Comfort and Joy."

Feeling down? We invite you to our

Blue Christmas Service

Thurs, Dec 21 at 6pm



A reflective service for those living through dark times, offering connection, comfort, & the promise of hope found in Christ.



We invite you to our

Christmas Eve Services

Sun, Dec 24th
5pm & 9pm

Joyous candlelight worship services celebrating the birth of the Christ child through scripture & many loved Christmas hymns.

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH



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Regular In-Person Worship on Sundays:
8:30am & 11am (online streaming at 11am)

CHRIST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
THE CHURCH IN LIFE & WORK

Dec 17, 2023

Dec 17	8:30am	-Worship In Person w/ Communion
	9:45am	-Sunday School - Youth & Adult
	11:00am	-Worship In Person and at Home Service w/ Communion
	1:15pm	-Confirmation Class
Dec 18	12:00pm	-Prayer Meeting / Bible Study
Dec 19	7:00pm	-Council Meeting
Dec 20	9:30am	-Wednesday Friends
	6:00pm	-Light dinner served before service
	7:00pm	-Advent Service
	7:45pm	-Choir Rehearsal
Dec 21	6:00pm	-Blue Christmas Service
Dec 24	Christmas Eve Services 8:30am, 11:00am, 5:00pm, & 9:00pm	
Dec 25	MERRY CHRISTMAS (office closed)	

[Please remember you still have time to turn in your intent card and time & talents sheet](#)

✝Tues Friends will NOT meet again until January 2, 2024

✝LIVE STREAM - The 11:00am service is live streamed on Sundays at 11:00pm. You can join us on our Facebook page or YouTube. We need volunteers to live stream our 11:00am service. If you are interested, there is a sign up sheet in the Narthex.

✝JAM DONATIONS -(Dec) Any items plus Christmas gifts or gift cards

✝ATTENDANCE CARDS - Please make sure you fill out the attendance cards completely each week to help us keep our parish records up to date. Please be sure to put the worship time you attend and each family member's name. **As we are updating the database, please give Date of Birth (DOB) for each family member.**

✝PROPERTY- The property committee asks if you have a concern, please fill out a blue form.

✝DEVOTIONAL BOOKS /MESSENGER - available to be picked up at church.

✝CALENDER UPDATES-Please fill out a green slip and put in the office mailbox to have events, meetings, and etc added to the church calendars. You can also email your request to the church office.

CONTINUED PRAYERS

HOSPITALIZED, RECOVERY OR ON-GOING TREATMENT

Rod Hester, 2015 Roberts Road, Taylorsville, KY 40071
Anne Hernandez, 10116 Cedar Crest Court, 40291
Beverly Kelly, 7603 Endecott Place, Prospect, 40059
Shari Bessette, 1647 Greenland Park Circle, Shelbyville, 40065
Ryan Bessette, 1647 Greenland Park Circle, Shelbyville, 40065
Doug Kull, 6520 Keeling Pl. Rd., 40291
Kathy Bremner, 8117 Watterson Trail, Louisville, 40299
Immanuel Korgar, 8310 Autumnwood Way, 40291
Ed Greaves, 12523 Taylorsville Rd Apt 1011, 40299
Curt Sigdestad, 17110 Farrier Dr, 40245
Earl Arnett, 9101 Lantern Lite Pkwy, 40220
Charlie Werder, 9699 Kings Grant Dr, Murrell's Inlet, SC 29576

NURSING HOMES AND HOMEBOUND

Earl Breitenstein, 4014 Mulberry Row Way, 40299
Carol Breitenstein, 4014 Mulberry Row Way, 40299
Danna Hesse, Forest Hills Commons, 9107 Taylorsville Rd. Apt 133, 40299
Florence Bright, 2619 Lindsay Ave., 40206
Wilma Brown, 10625 Wimberley Hills Blvd., 40241
Doris Bentley, Morning Pointe, 4711 S. Hurstbourne Pkwy, 40299
Martha Classon, Anthology of Louisville, 1105 Dorsey Ln., Rm 301, 40223
Audrey Albin, 903 Blankenbaker Parkway, Apt 123, 40243
Becky Zibart, Forest Springs Health Campus, 4120 Wooded Acre Ln. Rm. 301, 40245
Chester Evans, Symphony at Valley Farms, 10201 Valley Farms Blvd, 40272
Mary Lou Vaughn, Nazareth Home, 2000 Newburg Rd. #262 E. Vaughn, 40205
Pete Peters, Forest Springs Health Campus, 4120 Wooded Acre Ln #519, 40245
Mary Lou Miller, 13600 Lagrange Road, Apt. 238, 40245
Norma Kuerzi, 34515 Hurstborne Ln Apt 214, 40299
Betty Payne, 2300 Old Hickory Road, 40299
Betty Graff, 1143 Fisherville Rd, 40022
Annette Bishoff, 8401 Lagrange Rd, Beehive Homes of Lyndon 40222

***Please notify the church or the Pastor of any changes**
***Prayer box and request forms are located in the Narthex to be used or**
feel free to contact Pastor Limbong or the office.



Church Office Hours:

Monday through Friday

8:30AM - 4:30 PM

If you wish to contact Pastor Limbong
please call the church at (502-267-5082)

or his cell phone: (502-553-6025)

His scheduled days off are Friday and Saturday

Except during an emergency

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